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President Truman has appointed Rear Admiral Roscoe H. ~~Hillenkoetter~~ as head of America's new intelligence service, known as Central Intelligence Group. He will direct all Federal foreign intelligence activities.

It is reported that Hillenkoetter will be given long tenure in his present post in order that he may place the new agency firmly on its feet. Hillenkoetter plans for C.I.G. to become as familiar to the American public as the F.B.I.

He says its doors are open to anyone with worthwhile information and for those who do not know the address, his office is located on the second floor of the new State Department Building, 22nd Street at Virginia, Washington, D. C.

C.I.G.'s task is to correlate and evaluate foreign intelligence affecting the security of the United States and perform such other intelligence activities as the president may direct.

Hillenkoetter is well experienced for his new task, one which is new in American history. He has been all over Europe and a good part of Asia. He began his intelligence career in 1935 when he was assigned to Paris. For two years thereafter he traveled all over Europe as a Naval courier.

Hillenkoetter indicates C.I.G. will equal any intelligence service in the world. He recalls that during the early years of the war we were largely dependent upon British intelligence for our secret information. He doesn't want the United States to be dependent upon a foreign nation again.

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